



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
COMBAT LOGISTICS REGIMENT 37
3D MARINE LOGISTICS GROUP
UNIT 38404
FPO AP 96380-8404

IN REPLY REFER TO:

5830

13 APR 2021

From: [REDACTED]
To: Files

Subj: PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING
ALLEGED FRATERNIZATION THAT OCCURRED IN SERVICE COMPANY

Encl: (1) PI IO [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

1. I have reviewed the Preliminary Inquiry in its entirety and concur with the Investigating Officer's recommendations.
2. Gunnery Sergeant Arguello is to be offered Nonjudicial Punishment for violation of Article 92, in that he violated Combat Logistics Regiment 37's Fraternization Policy.
3. No further investigation required.
4. The point of contact for this matter is [REDACTED],
Combat Logistics Regiment 37 at DSN 637-3407 or [REDACTED]@usmc.mil.



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26 Jan 21

From: [REDACTED] USMC
To: [REDACTED] Combat Logistics Regiment 37

Subj: PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING
ALLEGED FRATERNIZATION THAT OCCURRED IN SERVICE COMPANY

Ref: (a) JAGMAN, Section 0203

Encl: (1) Appointing Letter
(2) Signed testimony of [REDACTED]
(3) Phone screenshots
(4) Duty Logbook Page from 20201120
(5) Signed statement of [REDACTED]
(6) Acknowledgement of Rights by GySgt Arguello
(7) Acknowledgement of Rights by GySgt [REDACTED]
(8) Second Signed Testimony of [REDACTED]
(9) Duty Logbook Page from 20210107
(10) [REDACTED] Fraternization Policy Statement

1. This reports the completion of the preliminary inquiry conducted in accordance with reference (a) into the alleged fraternization that occurred in Service Company.

2. Personnel Contacted:

[REDACTED]	Disbursing Operations Section	645-7041
GySgt Arguello Jr, Carlos	Service Company, Company Office	645-6110
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Fiscal Section	645-3448
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Pay Section	645-7282
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Operations Section	645-7024
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Operations Section	645-1951
[REDACTED]	Disbursing PCS Section	645-3047
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Operations Section	645-1951
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Fiscal Section	645-3448
[REDACTED]	Communications Company	080-6495-2833
[REDACTED]	Disbursing Operations Section	645-1951

3. Materials reviewed:

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5800

11 JAN 2021

From: [REDACTED] Combat Logistics Regiment 37
To: [REDACTED] 1512998115/0402 USMC

Subj: PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING ALLEGED
FRATERNIZATION THAT OCCURRED IN SERVICE COMPANY

Ref: JAGMAN, Section 0203

1. This appoints you, per the reference, to inquire into the facts and circumstances surrounding the alleged fraternization that occurred in occurred in Service Company in November of 2020.
2. Inquire into the facts and circumstances surrounding this event. Report personnel contacted, all materials reviewed and their custodian, and then make a recommendation on subsequent command action in writing, for example: consult with Judge Advocate, no further investigation warranted, conduct a command investigation, conduct a litigation report, or order a board or court inquiry.
3. Your report is to be completed in letter form three days from date signed, unless an extension of time is requested and granted. If you have not previously done so, read Chapter II of the reference in its entirety before beginning your report.
4. You are advised to seek legal advice from the 3d Marine Logistic Group Staff Judge Advocate Office, DSN: 315-637-2125, during the course of your investigation. You may also converse with the Battalion Legal Officer, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at DSN: 315-637-3407.

[REDACTED]
By direction

ARTICLE 31 RIGHTS

Name: [REDACTED] Rank/Rate: [REDACTED]

Activity: USMC Unit: CLR-37 3DMLG DISBURST VG

Telephone number: 662-752-6214

I have been advised that I may be suspected of the offense(s) of: Fraternization
and that:

- ☐ I have the right to remain silent.
- ☐ Any statements I do make may be used as evidence against me in trial by court-martial.
- ☐ I have the right to consult with lawyer counsel prior to any questioning. This lawyer counsel may be a civilian lawyer retained by me at my own expense, a military lawyer appointed to act as my counsel without cost to me, or both.
- ☐ I have the right to have such retained civilian lawyer and/or appointed military lawyer present during this interview.
- ☐ I have the right to terminate this interview at any time.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

- ☐ I further certify and acknowledge that I have read the above statement of my rights and fully understand them, and that:
 - ☐ I expressly desire to waive my right to remain silent.
 - ☐ I expressly desire to make a statement.
 - ☐ I expressly do not desire to consult with either a civilian lawyer retained by me or a military lawyer appointed as my counsel without cost to me prior to questioning.
 - ☐ I expressly do not desire to have such a lawyer present with me during this interview.
 - ☐ This acknowledgment and waiver of rights is made freely and voluntarily by me, and without any promises or threats having been made to me or pressure or coercion of any kind having been used against me.

[REDACTED] 20210113 [REDACTED] 20210113
(Member signature/date) (Witness signature/date)

Understanding my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, I wish to make the following statement:

ATTACH STATEMENT HERE.

Nov. 20th Thanksgiving potluck

"Gysgt came up to [REDACTED] at event

• Gysgt came to [REDACTED] room

- Gysgt came into room to talk about tattoos

- Made out [REDACTED]

- Gysgt was touching [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED] told Gysgt to leave

- [REDACTED] has messages with Gysgt

Week later

• [REDACTED] told events to Gysgt [REDACTED] (Gysgt partner)

• Gysgt apologize - told [REDACTED] to not report it

• Both Gysgts told [REDACTED] to delete all evidence

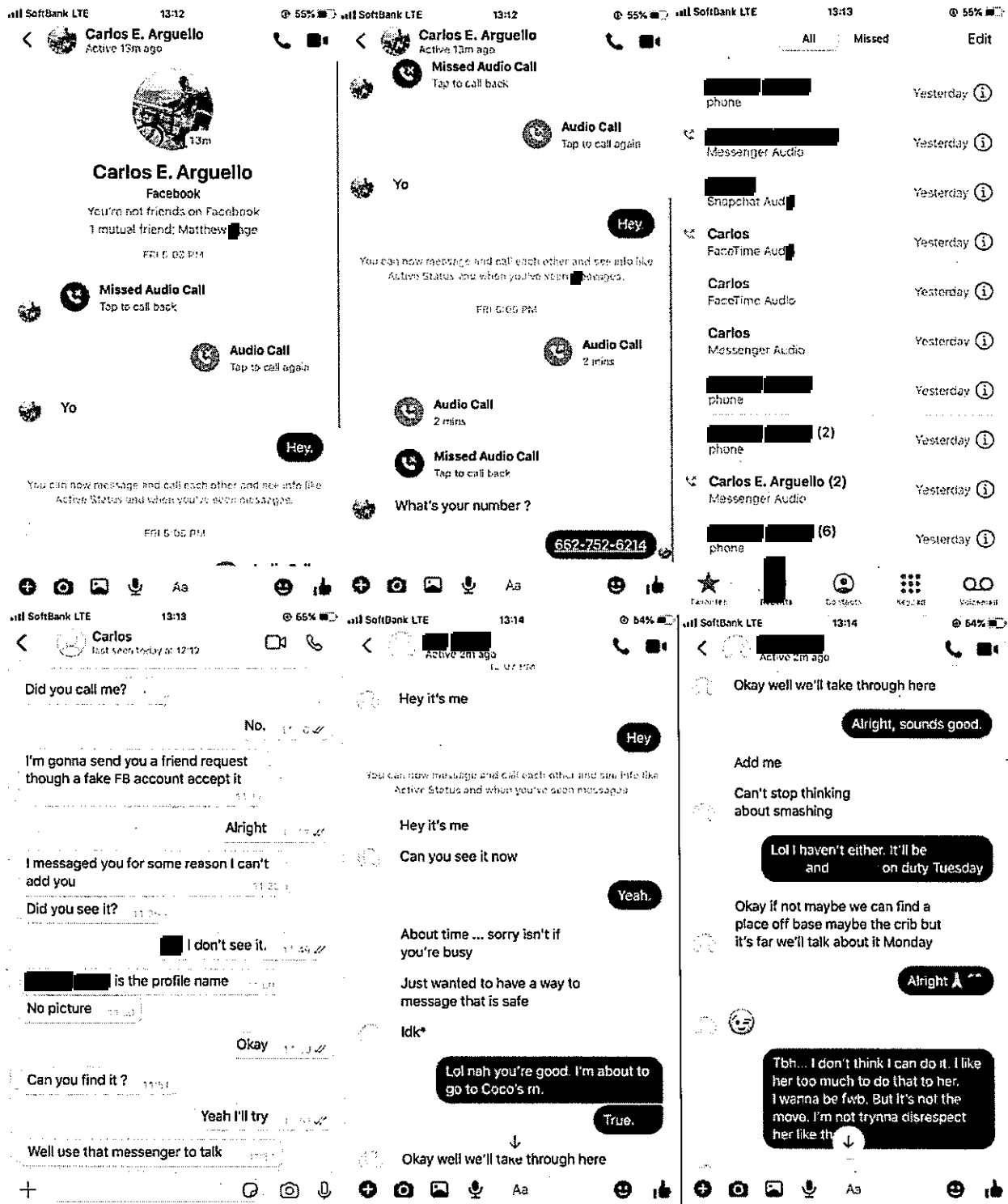
• [REDACTED] [REDACTED], [REDACTED] [REDACTED] were on duty when Gysgt came to [REDACTED] room

[REDACTED]
Member's Signature

20220113
Date

[REDACTED]
Witness Signature

20210113
Date



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I mean it's up to you

I don't think we should

Okay it's your decision I respect it
but let me know if you change
your mind

12:58 PM

I feel like the sexual tension is just
going to grow and make it worse

Maybe we need to get it out of
our system

We will see when it comes down
to it.

But for m. I think we should
just chill.

Like chill alone with each other or
just leave it be?

Just leave it be.

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I do but fuck

Lol nah. That's your girl.***

What?

I'd feel guilty.

Doing her wrong.

I still want you maybe I'm just
an asshole

Idk. I think if we did, you'd feel
guilty too. Cause I know you
tryna be loyal.

I'm also trying to be a savage
with you

Maybe we can just be fwb virtually
cause you know COVID

I don't think it's worth it.

Okay I'll leave you alone

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7:05 AM

You all ready for duty?

9:50 AM

How's duty going

It's going good. How's work!?

You know work

How was your weekend

Lol. It was chill, how was you rag

Yours*?

Chill didn't do much

Who you on duty with?

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Which ones

Still thinking about angling out
with you

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with you

I'm not sure I wasn't able to look at
his name really. But I'll let you
know when I do

Idk about that one

I know I know you're flaking

I am***

I already told you how I feel. I
think it's a good idea

I know I'm understand

It's just Damn you gave me a little
taste now I want the whole kitchen

Lol. Do you not think it was
wrong tho?

I do but fuck

Lol nah. That's your girl.***

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GYSGT ARGUELLO

SA

SND

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I [REDACTED] HAVE ASSUMED ALL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS DNCO FOR BLDG 472, 4TH DECK. I HAVE READ ALL ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS PERTAINING TO MY POST. I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION (1) DUTY LOGBOOK, (1) VISOR LOGBOOK, (1) MORNING CLEAN UP LOGBOOK, (1) SAFETY LOGBOOK, AND (1) DISCREPANCY LOGBOOK. _____ SA

1815

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____

1922

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1030

MAINTENANCE STEPS ON DECK TO EXTERMINATE ROACH 410. _____

1046

DNCO TOUR 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1105

MAINTENANCE STEPS OFF DECK _____ SA D

1121

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1204

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1339

DNCO TOUR 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1401

MGYSGT NOVILLO STEPS ON DECK. _____ SA

1407

MGYSGT NOVILLO STEPS OFF DECK. _____ SA

1502

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1547

GYSGT ARGUELLO STEP ON DECK. _____ SA

1606

GYSGT ARGUELLO STEPS OFF DECK. _____ SA

1613

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1717

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1800

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1849

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

1926

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

2020

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____

2107

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____

215

DNCO TOURS 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____ SA

2331

DNCO TOUR 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____

2359

DNCO TOUR 4TH DECK, ALL IN GOOD ORDER. _____

Understanding my rights under U.C.M.J. Article 31, I wish to make the following statement:

I started noticing weird behavior from LPL WALLACE. We went to UNW and I saw Texts from Gyszt Arguello. I noticed she seemed like she was thinking about suicide. I talked to [REDACTED] about what I saw and [REDACTED] said suicide happened with [REDACTED] and Gyszt Arguello in her barracks room.

Friday During a thanksgiving event [REDACTED] and Gyszt were speaking. Gyszt Arguello talks about how he is a savage and could show us one is a savage. This happened a couple times. One day he comes to her room for her roommate and shows her his tattoo. They end up kissing and she floors it. He made a fake Facebook profile named [REDACTED].

I do know Gyszt Arguello & [REDACTED] talked to [REDACTED] off the side. Gyszt [REDACTED] Gyszt Arguello apologized. Gyszt [REDACTED] not to say anything.

I do not remember what the texts said.

[REDACTED]

ARTICLE 31 RIGHTS

Name: CARLOS ARGUELLO Rank/Rate: GS-7

Activity: _____ Unit: SUCCO, CLR-37


Telephone number: 445-4110

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20210113
(Member signature/date)


20210113
(Witness signature/date)

Understanding my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, I wish to make the following statement:

ARTICLE 31 RIGHTS

Name: [REDACTED]

Rank/Rate: [REDACTED]

Activity: _____

Unit: SVC CO

Telephone number: 645-3448

I have been advised that I may be suspected of the offense(s) of: _____
and that:

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[REDACTED] 0210126
(member signature/date)

[REDACTED] 020210126
Understanding my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, I wish to make the following statement:

ARTICLE 31 RIGHTS

Name: [REDACTED] Rank/Rate: [REDACTED]
Activity: USMC Unit: CLR-37 3D MFG DISABLING
Telephone number: 662 752 6214

I have been advised that I may be suspected of the offense(s) of: Fraternization
and that:

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED] 02/01/26
(Member signature/date) 20210126 (Witness signature/date)

Understanding my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, I wish to make the following statement:

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November 2014 Disbursing had a Thanksgiving Potluck which was the first time Gysgt Arguello approached [redacted] [redacted] came up to [redacted] and asked who [redacted] was texting because [redacted] was on my phone and [redacted] said [redacted] talking to my man. [redacted] asked who's my man and [redacted] told him it was someone from the states then he said oh that [redacted] not gonna work out, you're young you should be a savage, and [redacted] said what do you mean and he said just have fun while you're young you got plenty of time to be serious later and [redacted] said oh you're [redacted] savage? and he said maybe why you [redacted] [redacted] said just the way you talk and move. First [redacted] [redacted] came out to tell everyone to socially distance so at that point [redacted] felt the conversation was weird so [redacted] moved all the way in the back of the line. After the Potluck [redacted] went to my room and heard a knock and [redacted] opened the door and it was Gysgt Arguello. He said hey are you good and [redacted] said yeah and he asked if my roommate was there and [redacted] said no. Then he asked why [redacted] asked if he was a savage and it sounds like [redacted] wanna find out first hand and [redacted] said what? nah [redacted] chillin [redacted] good. Then [redacted] tried to change the subject cause that was really weird so [redacted] asked him about his tattoo on his arm and he showed me [redacted] and [redacted] said oh that's cool then he said yeah I have another one on my back I can show you but I gotta come inside can I come in? [redacted] said sure then he showed me the verse tattoo on his back and then asked again saying it sounds like you wanna find out first hand and again [redacted] said nah I'm good then he pulled me to him and said yeah well you shouldn't be looking at me that way. Then pulled down his mask and made out with me then proceeded to touch my body under my clothes. [redacted] told him he should leave and he has a woman and asked if he was in a relationship because [redacted] knew he was and he said yeah but I'm tryna be savage with you and [redacted] said no we shouldn't do this and said he should leave again and he said ok I won't do anything you don't wanna do but still didn't leave then got close again after shutting my door completely and said we can do this right now

(meaning sex) you just have to be quiet and [redacted] said No [redacted] don't want to and Plus you got a woman and he said fine we don't have to right now we can plan another time (at this point [redacted] was just trying to get him out my room) so [redacted] said yeah we can plan something another time. After that he left and then messaged me and called me through Facebook. Then he messaged me through Whatsapp to tell me to add his fake account so we could talk discrete [redacted] have all the pictures from the messages and calls) so after we had texted for like 2 days [redacted] finally said that [redacted] don't want to do anything and it would be disrespectful to his girl and he said ok I'll leave you alone. After a week of feeling horrible and guilty because of the situation [redacted] decided to tell his woman, [redacted] everything that happened. [redacted] took [redacted] to the supply closet we have at work after asking if [redacted] could speak to [redacted] privately and told [redacted] everything that had happened. At first [redacted] was in disbelief and said that [redacted] never heard of him doing anything like that so [redacted] showed [redacted] the screenshots of the messages and calls. [redacted] said I'm sorry this happened to you, this is very unprofessional you don't have to be nervous talking to me. And [redacted] said [redacted] not nervous [redacted] upset which [redacted] can imagine you are too. [redacted] said you have no idea.. [redacted] said thank you for telling me this [redacted] been with [redacted] for 2 years you ~~can~~ probably saved me from making the biggest mistake. Then [redacted] left and maybe about 30 mins later [redacted] get a call from Cryszt Arguello saying why did you tell her? [redacted] was gonna leave you alone you ruined everything ~~the~~ you could have at least given me a warning then [redacted] hung up and messaged [redacted] that [redacted] had called me and told me that. [redacted] said to not respond and to block him. [redacted] said Ok. This was the Friday after the Potluck so after the weekend on Monday [redacted] was in her section to do a backup on one of the computers and [redacted] said [redacted] - need to talk to you then we walked outside and [redacted] said that Cryszt Arguello was gonna come in like five minutes to apologize to me then [redacted] wanted to talk to me. After a little while he came and [redacted] and [redacted] stepped outside. He said first off I apologize for putting unwanted pressure on you, second, no one else needs to know about this, third, I don't hate you I'm not gonna try to destroy your life or career or anything. All I said was Thank you then he left.

ATTACH STATEMENT HERE.

After He left [redacted] said [redacted] you need to understand that your actions have affects on [redacted] people it's your fault to [redacted] for letting it happen. Lastly, stay out of my way. we have to work together for 2 more [redacted]s. Don't come into Fiscal (the section she works in) unless you absolutely have to. After that [redacted] said ok and we walked inside. over time [redacted] thought everything would just go away because [redacted] didn't want to deal with the situation. But [redacted] had heard around that an investigation was about to start so it was unavoidable to confront the situation. [redacted] [redacted] showed up to my barracks, [redacted] believe the same night and [redacted] asked if [redacted] had told anyone and why is this investigation happenin. [redacted] said [redacted] didn't know, because [redacted] really didn't. [redacted] told me [redacted] was talking to one of [redacted] friends in legal and the best option for me would be to delete all the evidence [redacted] said [redacted] was looking out for me because of my Nislock and that it could end badly if [redacted] didn't deny everything. I told her thank you and [redacted] left. The date of the 3 day of brief we had at Kinser Gysgt Arguello came up after and said he wanted to talk to [redacted] and to follow him to his car so we could talk in private. In the car he said that he didn't want [redacted] or him to get in trouble and the best thing to do would be to deny everything and seek legal counseling. He pressed over and over for [redacted] to delete the screenshot [redacted] had of the messages saying [redacted] would feel a lot better if [redacted] showed him [redacted] deleting them and [redacted] kept saying no [redacted] decide and he said yeah but I thought we were on the same page, cause as soon as you go to work they are gonna ask you for the pictures and they are gonna send it up to 1stsgt then it'll go up. [redacted] said [redacted] was just gonna wait to delete them and he finally said ok and [redacted] left. When [redacted] got to foster [redacted] decided to delete

Member's Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date

Them cause ■ thought it would be the best option so ■ deleted the original. But ■ still have the screen shots of everything.

The stress was overwhelming and the situation is terrible but ■ decided to tell the truth about everything because ■ had heard stories about Cysgt Arguello making other females uncomfortable and that needed to be stopped.

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COMPANY COMMANDER

COMPANY 1STSGT

COMPANY 2NDSGT

DNCO

ADNCO

1STSGT ARGUELLO

0730 - 1STSGT [REDACTED] HAVE ASSUMED ALL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
 (1) AS DNCO FOR BRG 472, 4TH DECK. I HAVE IN MY
 POSSESSION (1) DNCO LOG BOOK, (2) LIBERTY LOG BOOK, (3) ROOM
 DZS CREW LOG BOOK, (4) MORNING CLEANUP LOG BOOK,
 AND (5) THERM CARDS.
 0830 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0932 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1015 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1100 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1130 - DNCO GOING TO CHOW
 1200 - DNCO RETURNS FROM CHOW
 1300 - DNCO GOING TO CHOW
 1400 - DNCO RETURNS FROM CHOW
 1545 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1600 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1711 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 1839 - 1STSGT GARMAN COMED ON DECK
 1844 - 1STSGT GARMAN STEP OFF DECK
 1900 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 2037 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 2107 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 2210 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0001 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0122 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0159 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0254 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0600 - DNCO TOURS 472, PARKING LOT AND SMOKE PIT ALL SECURE
 0742 - 1STSGT MAYOR HAVE BEEN PROMOTELY INJURED BY 50 CAL BULLET

20200107
 VEG



[REDACTED]

Fraternization Policy Statement



End State. Maintenance of trust.

In my [REDACTED] Guidance, I discuss the importance of trust in enabling us to build a professional and proficient warfighting organization. Fraternization undermines trust by setting the stage for preferential treatment and predatory behavior. This issue can be hard to tackle as it is often complicated by misunderstood definitions of pre-existing relationships and unexpected social interactions.

In Combat Logistics Regiment 37, our policy is clear and in accordance with the 3d MLG Commanding General's Fraternization Policy Letter 7-1 dated 11 August 2014:

Any professional or personal relationship, including on/off duty, social, and contact between service members of different grades or ranks that call into question a senior's objectivity, that results in actual or perceived preferential treatment, that undermine the authority of the senior or compromises the chain of command, and that are not consistent with the traditional standards of good order and discipline is considered fraternization and is **strictly prohibited**.

For the purposes of this policy, the following categories define personnel who are senior and junior: Field Grades (O-6 to O-4), Company Grades (O-3 to WO), SNCOs (E-9 to E-6), NCOs (E-5, E-4) and Junior Marines (E-1 to E3).

The most prevalent examples of fraternization are dating and gambling for monetary gain among senior and junior rank categories (e.g. officers and enlisted, NCOs and Non-NCOs) within 3d MLG. Other examples may exist, however at the end of the day good judgement is required and expected; **when in doubt seek advice via your chain of command** before engaging in a relationship with a junior or senior rank category which may be perceived as inappropriate. All requests for exceptions to this policy and the 3d MLG Commanding General's Fraternization Policy Letter should be directed and approved at the Regimental level.

This policy is applicable to all members of Combat Logistics Regiment 37 and constitutes a lawful order. Violators of this policy and/or the 3d MLG Commanding General's Fraternization Policy Letter may be subject to adverse administrative and punitive action under Article 92 of the Uniformed Code of Military. Marines and Sailors of the Regiment, fraternization is a real issue and at the end of the day undermines trust, good order and discipline. For some this is a tough policy, for professionals this is easy.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] U.S. Marine Corps

[REDACTED]